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Before calculating the fees, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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Please cancel claims 5-7

67, 69-70, and 73-78.

Please amend claims 8, 12, 15 and 17 as follows:

8. (Amended) An expression vector comprising the isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1, operably linked to a promoter.

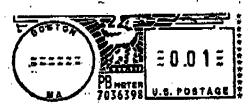
12. (Amended) An isolated polypeptide engoded by a nucleic acid molecule of claim 1, wherein the polypeptide, or fragment of the polypeptide has cardiac cell anti-apoptotic activity.

15. (Amended) An isolated polypeptide encoded by a nucleic acid molecule of claim 1, wherein the polypeptide, or fragment of the polypepfide, is immunogenic.

17. (Amended) An isolated binding polypeptide which binds selectively a polypeptide encoded by an isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1.

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Thank you for drawing to our attention that the preliminary amendment sent by us to the USPTO on August 21, 2001 was not recorded as being received.

We are now providing copies to you of the preliminary amendment and the return receipt postcard indicating the preliminary amendment was received on August 21, 2001.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions. Thank you again.

Respectfully submitted,

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